[Mr. K. Dominic Tomman.]

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state under what rules such steps are taken?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the files connected with the survey numbers referred to in question No. 76 (*c*) and (*d*)—especially survey No. 273/1 B?

(*d*) If the Government do not propose to lay the papers on the table, will they at least call for them for their own perusal?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The lands are being re-assessed under the *Cherikkal Rules* under which they were assessed at the settlement. Government have since decided in another connection that the *tharam* assessment fixed at the settlement should not be interfered with during the currency of the settlement.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

(*d*) Government have perused the papers.

Certain G. O.'s re. Cherikkal Lands.

86. MR. K. DOMINIC TOMMAN (*Peermade cum Devicolam*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to give a statement showing:—

(1) the survey numbers and extent of lands;

(2) the rate of tax per acre originally fixed by the settlement officers;

(3) the rate of tax now realised by the Revenue Department;

(4) the date from which the reduced tax is realised; and

(5) the year and number of the decree of the Kottayam District Court in pursuance of which such reduction of tax has been effected under the following Government Orders:—

(i) L. R. 8704, dated the 29th August, 1914;

(ii) L. R. 5687, dated the 22nd November, 1918;

(iii) L. R. 1365, dated the 4th March, 1916; and

(iv) L. R. 1646, dated the 29th March, 1917?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the Government Orders referred to above?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) A statement* furnishing the information required by the member is laid on the table.

(*b*) The Government Orders † referred to are laid on the table.

Competency of Revenue Authorities to enhance Tax on Cherikkal Lands.

87. MR. K. DOMINIC TOMMAN (*Peermade cum Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the revenue authorities

* *Vide* appendix II A—page 738. † *Vide* appendix II B—pages 739-741.

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